GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
POWER
LOK SABHA

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ALLOCATION OF POWER TO KERALA
GULAM MEHMOOD BANATWALLA

Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have discontinued the allocation of unallocated share of power to Kerala;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor and the date on which it was done;

(c) whether Kerala Government has requested to the Union Government to restore the unallocated power to the State;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the steps taken/proposed to be taken in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF POWER

(SHRI P.R. KUMARAMANGALAM)
(a) to (e) : The allocation of power out of unallocated quota of central generating stations is reviewed from time to time keeping in view the relative power shortages in the constituent states of the region and also to meet the emergent/seasonal requirements of the states in the region. The power supply position in the Southern Region was reviewed by the Central Electricity Authority in December, 1999. Based on the CEA`s review, power supply position in Kerala is expected to be comfortable during February, 2000 to June, 2000 as compared to higher shortage in the other states of the Southern Region. Accordingly, the allocation to Kerala has been reduced from 5%

(22 MW) to Nil w.e.f. 17.12.1999. Government of Kerala has requested for a review of the decision. Further review of allocation of unallocated power by CEA is likely to be done in April/May, 2000 keeping in view the then relative power shortages in the states of Southern Region.